SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 539

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor Coach Lamar Rogers of Clarkrange High School upon attaining his 1,000th career victory.

WHEREAS, this body is honored to recognize those coaches throughout the State who have spent years in unflagging pursuit of victory, while inspiring a countless number of Tennessee's students to success, both on and off the court; and

WHEREAS, Clarkrange High School Lady Buffaloes' Coach Lamar Rogers is one such estimable coach who recently reached an incredible milestone in his impressive coaching career by winning 1,000 career games; and

WHEREAS, now in his thirty-fifth year as Head Coach for the Lady Buffaloes, Lamar Rogers led his squad to a victory over a Class AA Bledsoe County team on December 19, 2011, for his 1,000th career victory; and

WHEREAS, with his professional demeanor, impeccable integrity, and exceptional communication skills, Coach Rogers has established himself as a preeminent figure in basketball and is renowned both in Tennessee and throughout this country, having produced thirty-nine college scholarship recipients, twenty-five All-State Team players, one Class A Miss Basketball recipient, and four Miss Class A Basketball finalists; and

WHEREAS, during his remarkable tenure at Clarkrange, Lamar Rogers has taken his team to the State Tournament an astonishing nineteen times, amassing eight State Titles and one Runner-Up Trophy; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Coach Rogers was inducted into the TSSAA Hall of Fame in 2009 and has been named the Tennessee Athletics Coaches

Association Tennessee Coach of the Year three times, the Tennessee All-Star Coach twice, the East-West All Star Coach twice, and the National High School Athletic Coaches Association

Southeast Coach of the Year once: and

WHEREAS, Lamar Rogers stands among his peers as one of the finest basketball coaches in America, and this body is especially proud to pause in its deliberations to recognize this esteemed Tennessean for his extraordinary coaching accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Coach Lamar Rogers of Clarkrange High School on winning his 1,000th game, applaud his vaunted level of success and his dedication to excellence both on and off the basketball court, and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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